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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Tom Munson, Senior Reclamation Specialist *tm*

RE: Site Inspection, Robert Steele, HiCal Mine, S/023/071, Juab County, Utah

Date of Inspection: March 23, 2002
Time of Inspection: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Conditions: Sunny
Participants: Tom Munson, UDOGM

Purpose of Inspection: To confirm acreage of disturbance

Observations:

The site was mined for CaCo₃ for the Delta Power plant. All that remains is a stockpile of crushed ore. I took photographs of the site, and measured the site using a GPS unit. It was determined that the area of the stockpile was 4.9 acres. The access road leading into the site is declared a county road by Mr. Steele. Until this issue is resolved between the BLM and Mr. Steele, the Division will not count it as disturbance.

An area on the NE corner of the site was to be regraded and seeded by Mr. Steele. When in the area, the site will need to be inspected again to determine if this was accomplished.

Another issue of concern, raised by the BLM, was the safety of the stockpile and the way it was being undercut by the party loading the trucks for shipment of the ore to the Power Plant. The BLM was looking into this issue and I will follow-up when I next inspect the site. The BLM has asked Mr. Steele to fill out a Large Mine Plan and submit it to them so they can assess a reclamation bond. They felt he had exceeded his original notice and issued him a Notice of Noncompliance with the 3809 rules. At Mr. Steele's request, I forwarded him a copy of our Large Mine Notice application and Rules.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

It will be necessary for us to be kept apprised of Mr. Steele's plans and remain in close communication with him in order to get the necessary information if case we need to permit the site as a Large Mine.

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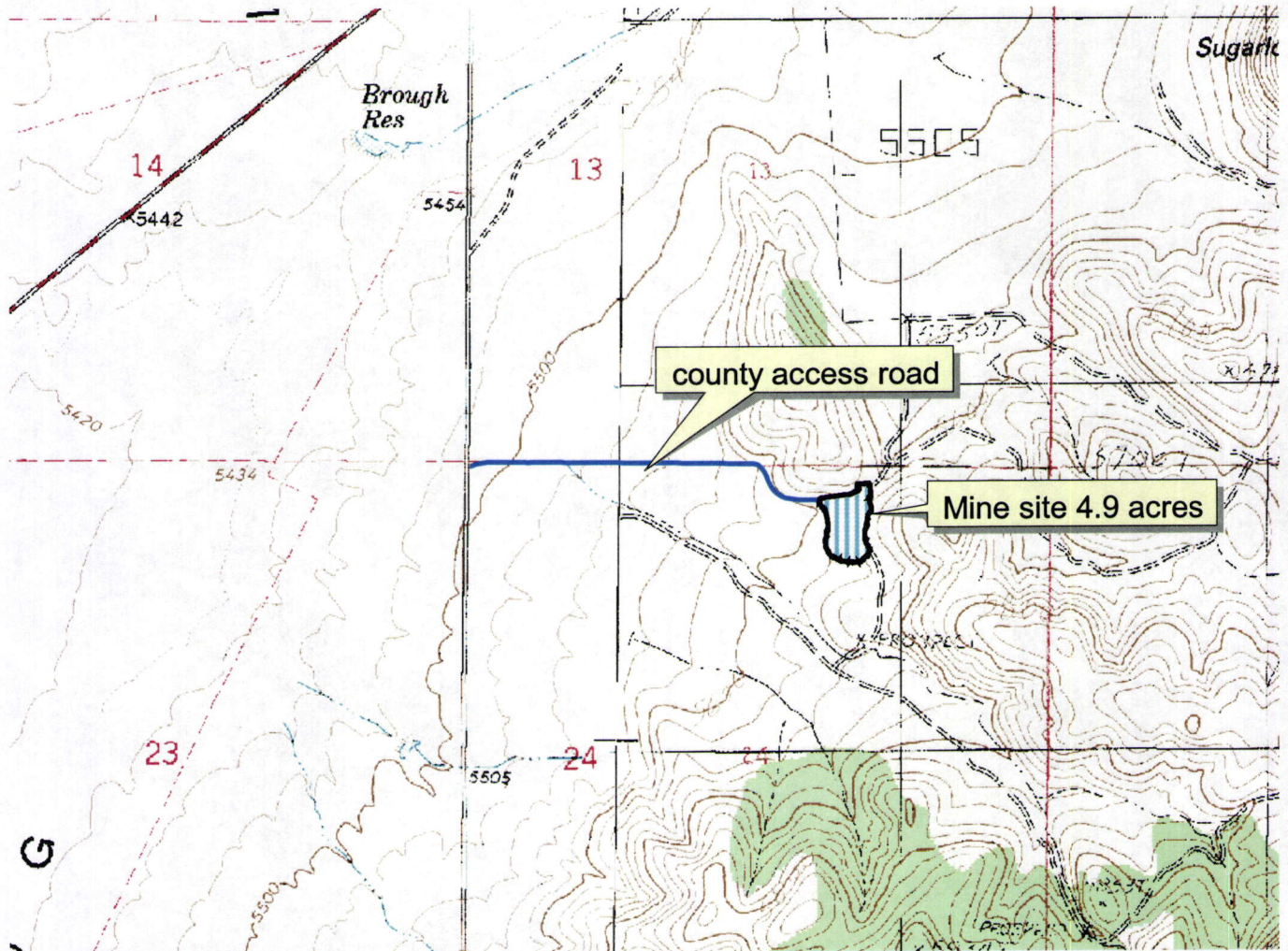
cc: Bob Steele, Operator

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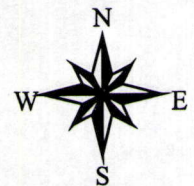
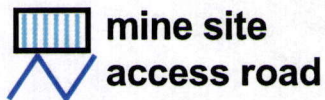
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Bob Steele's Hical Mine

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Inspection Performed by Tom Munson: March 22, 2002
USGS Quad Maps: Sugarloaf and Furner Ridge

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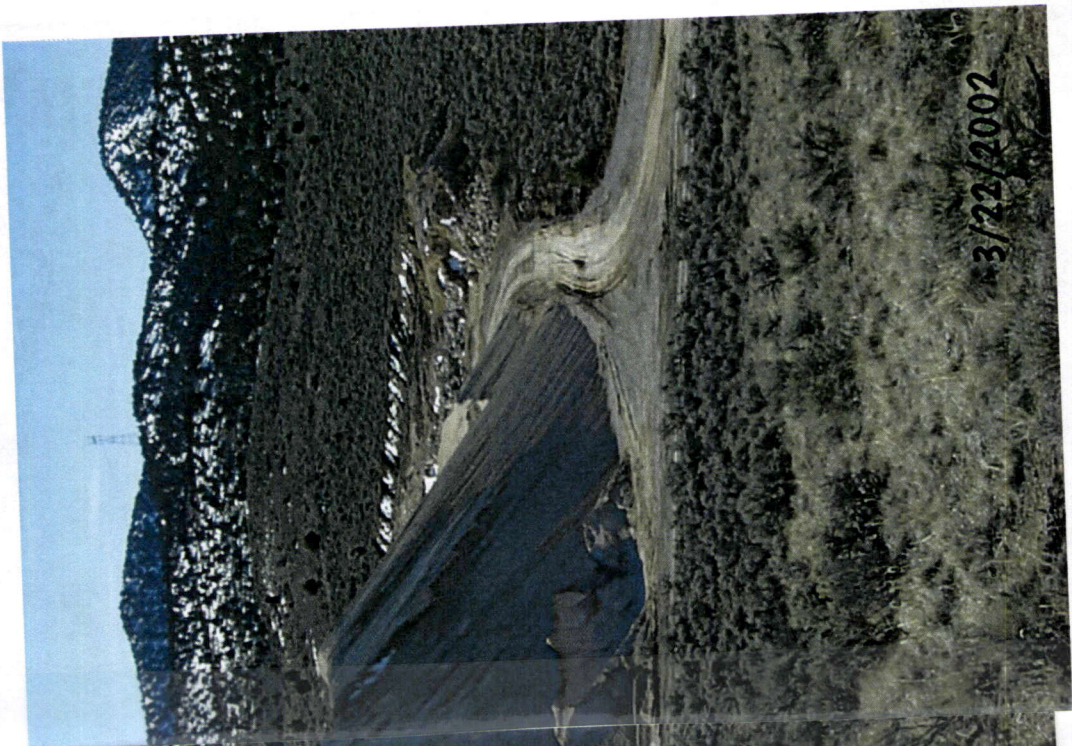


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